**WEBQUEST**

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A WebQuest is an online tool used by students for learning and was created by Bernie Dodge. It is a classroom-based lesson in which the information that students explore and evaluate comes from the World Wide Web. WebQuests can be as short or as long as you would like and can involve one student or a group. Using WebQuest allows the teacher to preselect the resources so that students can devote their time to using the information available to them instead of having to search for it.

While working on my undergraduate degree I was enrolled in a class that required us to create a WebQuest. I created mine using QuestGarden. I am not sure about some of the others but QuestGarden’s subscription is good for two years and the cost is only $20. A WebQuest is simple to create and QuestGarden is very user friendly. The format is standard but you can choose from several different design patterns for the background. There are several phases and each phase has examples and editing your WebQuest is easy.

Below are two links to WebQuests that I have either created or in the process of creating. The first link is to the new WebQuest and since it’s incomplete, the system doesn’t allow anyone to view the colorful template except the creator. You’re welcome to click on it and take a look, but to the viewer, it is very plain. However, the second one is complete and is the one I created when I was an undergraduate student.

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